(b) The Ministry of Rural Development is implementing a demand driven National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (NREGS) which provides a guarantee of 100 days of wage employment to each rural household including all Tribal population. In addition, the Ministry of Tribal Affairs has programmes on education, vocational training, income generation and infrastructure development benefiting all categories of Scheduled Tribes.

Development schemes for tribals

2929. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Corporation (TRIFED) broadly aims to help the tribals to market their produce and also work towards the development of art and craft of tribals;

(b) if so, what has been the turnover of the sale proceeds in the tribal areas of Andhra Pradesh during the last three years;

(c) whether any financial support is provided to the tribal co-cooperative units of the State to meet the losses incurred during the sale of tribal products during the last three years;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (DR. RAMESHWAR ORAON) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The figures of procurement and sale of tribal products by TRIFED from Andhra Pradesh during the last three years are as under:

(Rs. in lakh)

Year	Purchases	Sale
2005-06	15.55	9.17
2006-07	25.59	7.66
2007-08	15.59	12.37

(c) TRIFED has no such Scheme.

(d) and (e) Does not arise.

Implementation of forest rights laws

†2930. SHRI SATYAVRAT CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Ministry has been drawn by the campaign for survival and Dignity towards the irregularities taking place in the implementation of forest rights laws in Chhattisgarh;

(b) if so, the details of complaints of the Campaign for Survival and Dignity; and

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.